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| <i>In re</i> Patent Application of: |) | Appln. No.: 10/716,649 |
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| |) | Group Art Unit: 1626 |
| Filed: 11/19/2003 |) | Examiner: Laura L. Stockton, Ph.D. |
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| For: N-PHENYL-3-CYCLOPROPYL- |) | |
| PYRAZOLE-4-CARBONITRILES AS |) | |
| ECTOPARASITICIDAL AGENTS |) | |

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Official action mailed December 17, 2004, please amend the above-referenced patent application as directed in the below instructions.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

In accord with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, the amendment to the claims and a complete listing of all pending claims in the application begin on a separate sheet to facilitate electronic scanning of the amendment document for placement in an e-file wrapper. As required, only the claim number and status indicate the canceled claims. The present amendment responds directly to the Office action of December 17, 2004 in a good faith attempt to place the application in condition for an immediate allowance. This amendment adds no new matter to the application. For the convenience of the Office staff, the amendment is placed in an Appendix and incorporated herein by reference thereto.

Even though the Examiner has sustained the restriction requirement, Applicants are grateful that she has kindly examined the entire scope of elected Group I. In response and to advance prosecution towards an early allowance, the present amendment cancels withdrawn Claims 11-19 from the application without prejudice to the right to file a divisional application directed to the nonelected claims in due course.

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